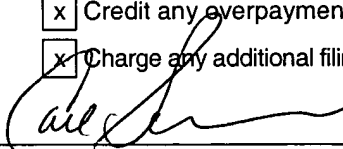
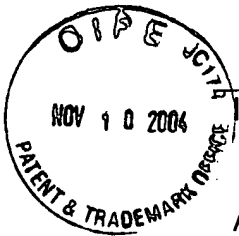


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. ASA-0015	
Application No. 10/645,948-Conf. #8249		Filing Date August 22, 2003		Examiner W. P. Fletcher III	
				Art Unit 1762	
Applicant(s): Tsuyoshi Nakashima et al.					
Invention: METHOD OF FORMING COAT ON INNER SURFACE OF BEARING AND APPARATUS FOR THE SAME					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	24	- 20 =	4	x	72.00
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	0.00
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Other fee (please specify):					
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>					72.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity					
<input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>18-0013</u> in the amount of \$ <u>72.00</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.					
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>18-0013</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.					
 Carl Schaukowitz Attorney Reg. No.: 29,211				Dated: <u>November 10, 2004</u>	
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**and**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-18 and 21-26 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 19 and 20 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 18 is amended and claims 21-26 are added.

**II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

**III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

(There are no amendments to the specification)